



Gallatin County 4-H Newsletter

February 2006

WILD WEST WINTERFEST— FEBRUARY 17-20, 2006

Events Happening at the 2006 Wild West Winterfest:

♦ “Western Underground” in Concert! A Tribute to Chris LeDoux ♦ All Breeds Horse Sale ♦ Working Horse & Driver Contest ♦ All Star Dog Show ♦ Dog Keg Pull ♦ Cowboy Gathering with Poetry & Western Music ♦ Children’s Art Show ♦ Quilt Show ♦ Photography Show ♦ Youth Poultry/Rabbit Show ♦ Hockey Tournament ♦ Auto Ice Drags ♦ Monday is “Horsin’ Around Day” with Vet Clinics, Horse Demos, Tack Swap, Battle of the Breeds, Stallion Auction & more

CHILDREN’S ART SHOW

Do you have wonderful, fun, beautiful art projects that have been created by artists from ages 2 to 16? If so, we invite you to display them at the 2006 Wild West WinterFest Children’s Art Show. This is the second year for this event and we hope the show will give your children an opportunity to show their talent to our community! Ideas for kinds of artwork to enter include drawings, paintings, class projects, sculptures, collages, leatherwork, or any other work created by a child. For complete rules and entry forms, contact the Gallatin County Fairgrounds at 582-3270 or the 4-H Extension Office at 582-3280. If interested, please bring your artwork to the Fairgrounds Office between February 1st and February 14th, Monday through Friday, 8AM to 5PM. Special arrangements can be made for late, early or weekend deliveries.



OPEN PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW

Have you taken some wonderful, fun, beautiful photos you would like to display for the world to see? If so, we invite you to bring them to the 2006 Wild West WinterFest Open Photography Show. This is the third year for this event and we hope the show will give you an opportunity to show your talent to our community! For complete rules and entry information, contact the Gallatin County Fairgrounds at 582-3270 or the 4-H Extension Office at 582-3280



“SWEETHEART FUR AND FEATHERS” -

Rabbit and Poultry show



The Gallatin County 4-H Rabbit and Poultry project kids are hosting their annual "Sweetheart Fur and Feathers Show" and Animal & Supply Auction at the Gallatin County Fairground's Wild West



WinterFest on Saturday February 18, 2006. The poultry and rabbit shows will run concurrently beginning at 9 am. We will stop in the morning when Garth is free and do the live auction of quality show and/or breeding stock. Anyone looking for a good quality rabbit or bird for their project or even a cage to house or carry the animal is welcome. Prices are usually very reasonable. Garth Isbell, Auctioneer, is once again generously donating his time. There also will be a raffle of supplies and crafts related to rabbits and chickens. The raffle drawing will be at 3:00 pm. At noon we will take a short break and then continue the judging. At 2 pm we will begin poultry showmanship. Classes will be divided according to age. Anyone wanting to learn how to show a bird can ask a local 4-Her for pointers before the showmanship classes start. At 3 pm there will be a rabbit derby where we race rabbits. We have a special box/tunnel and blow through straws to make the bunnies move. There will be extra bunnies for people to borrow so they can join in the fun. Come join us for a day of fun!!

Rabbit Questions -

Brenda Townsend 284-6434

Lola Brogger 285-6730 or mbsaddle@juno.com

Poultry Questions -

Sandra Fiegi 388-6906

Betsy Heckel 388-7578 or betsyheckel@aol.com

Deadline for Entries is February 1, 2006. For entry forms contact the Extension Office at 582-3280 or stop by at 901 N. Black

LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING:

The Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council will meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. Bring your appetite and a few bucks for pizza. **Meeting date is February 14, 2006.**

Demo Day (Evenings this year):

Mark your calendars!!! The Gallatin County 4-H Public Presentation Day (Demo Day in the Evening) is scheduled for Tuesday, April 4, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. for those who are 12 and older and Thursday, April 6, 2006 at 5:30 p.m. for those who are 11 and under at the Belgrade Middle School. Ages are according to 4-H age. Demo Day is a low stress opportunity to gain public speaking skills while presenting on your favorite topic. Teen winners get a free trip to Montana 4-H Congress in July. Younger members gain experience and win medals. Plan to participate – it's fun. There will be a prize available for the club with the greatest % of members participating. Other fun and exciting door prizes will be awarded. More details coming soon.

BIG SKY FIT KIDS - SHAPE UP MONTANA

Welcome to the second year of Big Sky Fit Kids and Shape Up Montana. Teams of youth and adults are being asked to participate in a 3-month competition to engage in a certain level of physical activity. The contest begins February 1st and ends May 1st. Entry in Big Sky Fit Kids is free. Teams that average 200 miles per team member (12 minutes of vigorous physical activity counts as 1 mile; 60 minutes of vigorous physical activity counts as 5 miles) will be eligible for a drawing that will award \$500 to the group. Put together a team of 10-30 members and let's get active. Contact us at 582-3280 for more information if interested.

Scholarships:

Attention Seniors!!! Are you thinking of college? Contact our office for these scholarship applications.

FRANK AND VERA DONEY SCHOLARSHIP

The Frank and Vera Doney Scholarship was established in December 2005 and will be available for distribution at the 2006 4-H Awards Banquet in September. This scholarship was made possible through a generous donation by Ellis and Bette Doney, Robert and Kathy Doney, and Arleene Doney Weppeler in memory of Frank and Vera. Eligible applicants must be seniors in high school, enrolled in Gallatin County 4-H, and planning to study an agriculturally related major in higher education. Interested 4-H members may apply for the \$500 award through the county awards application process in July/August.

MONTANA AGRI-BUSINESS

Scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H member interested in a college education who has a special interest in Ag business. Montana Turkey Growers, a growers' cooperative that no longer exists, originally provided funds. Deadline: May 1

MONTANA MEAT PROCESSORS

The Montana Meat Processors Association (MMPA) has established an annual scholarship in cooperation with the Montana 4-H Foundation. This scholarship will assist an individual with an interest/background in meat science that will be attending a college or university. Deadline: May 1

MONTANA WHEAT & BARLEY COMMITTEE

In conjunction with the Montana Wheat & Barley Committee, this scholarship is offered to 4-H members who have done outstanding work in bread baking, or similar projects utilizing grains and grain products (such as use of grains with a livestock project), or project work in the crop science area. Deadline: May 1

DOUGLAS A. DEAR MEMORIAL

This scholarship was established as a memorial to Doug Dear, an instrumental contributor to the Montana 4-H Horse Program. The scholarship will assist an individual with an interest or background in the 4-H Horse Project who will be attending a college or university. Deadline: May 1

N.A. JACOBSEN

Applicant must be a junior or senior enrolled in the College of Agriculture at Montana State University-Bozeman who is interested in a career with the MSU Extension Service. Memorial funds given by family and friends of N.A. Jacobsen. Deadline: May 1

Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council
January 10, 2006
MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade, MT

CALL TO ORDER: 6:38 pm by President, Ginny Francis.

MEMBERS: Kathy Cheney, Naomi Woienski, Betsy Heckel, Sandra Feigi, Leia Miller, Ginny Francis, Brenda Townsend, Carrie Hotzel, Rita Nixon, Randie Adams, and Kelley Phipps

GUESTS: Dana Adams and Sonja Berg

REPORTS:

Secretary: The Minutes from November 2005 were reviewed. Carrie moved, seconded by Sandra, the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Treasurer: The Financial Report was reviewed. Brenda moved, seconded by Carrie, to approve the report as written. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE/LEADERS REPORT:

Photography: Tuesday, January 31, 2006 there will be a meeting at Valley Bank. 1st. and 2nd years will meet at 6:30 pm, and those with 3+ years in the project will meet at 7:30 pm.

Woodworking: Woodworking is off to a great start! Hammers were donated by Home Depot, as well as aprons.

OLD BUSINESS:

WRLF: Currently, Sandra, Kathy, Ginny and Todd are going to WRLF. Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy, that additional registration fees in the amount of \$650.00, be pulled from the State Leaders Forum and moved to Western Regional Leaders Forum. Motion carried. Brenda moved, seconded by Sandra, that \$200.00 be moved from the Legislative Breakfast to the Western Regional Leaders Forum to help with additional registration funding. Motion carried. Travel and room accommodations will be discussed at the next Unlimited meeting. In addition, reports and notes to share on WRLF should be brought to the following Unlimited meeting.

WWWF: Any youth may attend the Open Rabbit and Poultry Show taking place on Saturday, February 18, 2006 at 9:00am. You do not have to be in 4-H to attend. All youth are welcome.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cotton Candy Machine: Recently, the cotton candy machine was used and broke after 45 minutes of use. Dana Adams will check into the price of a new machine.

Demo Day: Brenda moved, seconded by Carrie, that Demo Day will be held as follows: Tuesday, April 4, 2006 at 5:30 pm for those who are 12 and older; Thursday, April 6, 2006 at 5:30 pm for those who are 11 and under. Ages are according to 4-H age. Motion carried. Sandra moved, seconded by Betsy, that awards will be granted as follows: Highest Percentage of Club Participation and Individual Participation. Motion carried. Sandra will talk to Clint at MYO, Betsy will check into movie tickets, and Leia will check into additional prizes.

Club Display Competition at Fair: Promotion and display of 4-H material is needed at the upcoming Fair. The possibility of an award to the club/project with the best display was presented. Kathy moved, seconded by Kelley, that we have informational displays to promote 4-H at the Fair, with monetary awards to be discussed at a later date. Motion carried. Our Teen Ambassadors are planning a special display and will promote the sale of the 4-H Wristbands.

Fair Book Ideas/Concerns: Well over an hour was spent in much needed discussion in regards to the Fair Book. It appears to many individuals, that different areas of the book are too inconsistent, too loosely translated, and should be put in better format for the sake of clarification. In addition, the need, use, and requirement that 4-H Book be completed by Fair was also of concern. Betsy motioned, seconded by Kathy, that a committee be formed to lead this into fruition for Fair 2007, and that there be a general meeting of all project leaders. Motion carried. Committee members will be Betsy Heckel, Sandra Feigi, Brenda Townsend, Kathy Cheney, Ginny Francis, and Kelley Phipps. The first committee meeting will be Friday, January 20, 2006 at MacKenzie River Pizza at 6:30pm. There will be a General Meeting for all committee and project leaders on Thursday, February 23, 2006, with the time and place to be announced.

Grants:

Food Project: Sandra moved, seconded by Brenda, that the grant in the amount of \$250.00 be recommended for approval by the Foundation. Motion defeated. Topics for repeal included the lack of prior year receipt justification. It was recommended that receipts be turned in to the 4-H office for reimbursement in lieu of the grant. In addition, it was felt that scholarships/grants for low-income families should not be covered under this grant as stated in the proposal. These types of scholarships/grants should be brought to Unlimited's attention and should be paid under money budgeted for this purpose.

Scrapbooking: Brenda moved, seconded by Kelley, that the grant in the amount of \$285.00 be recommended for approval by the Foundation under the conditions that the material purchased become property of 4-H, and be stored at the 4-H office. Motion carried.

High County 4-H Club: Naomi moved, seconded by Brenda, that only \$100.00 of the stated \$250.00 be recommended for approval by the Foundation for a club start-up fee. Motion carried. The reasons behind only allowing \$100.00 was that field trips and camp scholarships should be covered by other sources, such as fundraising events.

Gallatin County Concessions: Brenda moved, seconded by Sandra, that the grant in the amount of \$1019.00 be recommended for approval by the Foundation. Motion carried. These materials are wearing out, are non-existent, and would greatly improve the efficiency of concessions.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- January 19, 2006 is the Foundation meeting. These meetings are open to the public and attendance is encouraged.
- January 20, 2006 at 6:30 pm is the first meeting for the Fair Book Committee at MacKenzie River Pizza.
- February 17 - 20, 2006 is Wild West Winter Fest
- February 18, 2006 at 9:00 am is the Open Poultry and Rabbit Show
- February 23, 2006 is the general meeting for project leaders to update the content of the Fair Book. Time and place to be announced.
- March 01 - 05, 2006 is Western Regional Leaders Forum in Salt Lake City, UT.
- March 31, 2006 Grant Applications are due to the 4-H office.
- April 04, 2006 at 5:30 pm is Demo Day for those age 12 and older.
- April 06, 2006 at 5:30 pm is Demo Day for those age 11 and younger.

ADJOURNED: 8:56 pm by President, Ginny Francis

Kelley Phipps, Secretary

Club Historian Workshop:

There will be an orientation meeting on Sunday, February 19th from 7:00-8:30pm. Please bring 2-3 photos, \$1 for a Short Story Card, all other materials provided. Contact Elizabeth Cash for directions and more details. We'll learn how to preserve your photos, get organized, page composition, page layout ideas, and much more! I am available as a guest speaker as well for your 4-H club meetings. Imagine your 4-H Club's pictures captured in an album along with their stories to be enjoyed year after year, generation after generation. I'll also show you how to get started and basic supplies. I can't wait to see you on the 19th!



Dog Agility:



The dog agility project will start on April 6th, 2006 at Livestock Barn #2 at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds at 4:30. First year students please do not bring your dog to the first meeting. If you have any questions please call Nancy Creel 522-7748 or e-mail nmcreel@theglobal.net.

Dog Obedience:

The first class for dog obedience will be February 25th from 10:00-11:30 in building #3 at the Fairgrounds. Classes will be held every Saturday. March 4th and March 25th classes will be held in a different location to be decided later. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Herman at 585-7817.



Leathercraft:



First meeting will be February 7th from 4:30-5:30 at R.O. Brooks Custom Leather Shop, 234 E. Main. Bring your stamping tools, mallets, and swivel knife (if you have them). Meetings will be every other Tuesday through May. If you have any questions please call Rob Brooks at 585-3468.

Livestock Judging:

Good luck to the following livestock judging members as they travel and compete throughout the state: Ian Austiguy, Lilly Brogger, Robbie Chesterfield, Ross Marler, Austin Reyher, and Sierra Reyher. If your name is not listed and you would like to participate and be a part of the livestock judging team, contact the Gallatin County Extension office at 582-3280 to enroll and find out when and where workshops are being held.



Photography:



Photography meetings will be held the 4th Tuesday of every month, January 31st and February 21st. Additional meetings may be scheduled depending on interest. Meetings for 1st and 2nd year members will be at 6:30-7:30. 3rd year and up will meet at 7:45-8:45. Meetings will be held at the Valley Bank of Belgrade Conference Room. If you have questions please call Kathy at 388-3159.

Poultry:

Rocking Roosters and Poultry Project meetings are Monday, February 6th at Valley Bank, 6:00pm and 7:00pm respectively. Please plan to attend as we are working on practicing showmanship for our Wild West Winterfest show coming up on February 18th. Please bring a stuffed animal for practicing with preferably a bird type. This is a fun workshop for everyone to enjoy. See ya there!!



Quilting:

Our next meeting is Feb 11, 10 am at Belgrade Middle School. We will be working on our quilts & have a lesson on Foundation or Paper piecing. Bring the scraps from your quilt for this project. Remember you have to attend 3 meetings to exhibit in quilting at the fair. For more information please contact Sandra at 388-6906 or Ginny at 284-6843.



Rabbit:



We will be doing rabbit tattooing and decorating of the sale pavilion at the Fairgrounds on Saturday, February 11th at 1:00 pm. If you have any questions, call Brenda at 284-6434

Scrapbooking Project:

We will be having a meeting on Wednesday, February 22nd at the Valley Bank of Belgrade from 6:00pm-9:00pm. We will be cropping our photos, starting page borders and doing some journaling. Please bring \$1 for a Make and Take Border, pens for journaling, at least 6 colors of paper, your photos, album, pages, photo organization box, layout box, and cropping tools if you have them. There will be extra tools available to use as well. Please call Elizabeth Cash at 582-1702 if you have any questions. Club Historians are also welcome to attend.



Sheep:



There will be an orientation and welcome meeting February 2nd at 6:00 pm at MacKenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. This will count as a workshop. Come and learn about the requirements for the sheep project. RSVP at the Extension office by Jan. 30th.

May 13 – Tag & Shear Date. All sheep need to be purchased by May 13th in order to participate in the Summer Fair.

Shooting Sports:

3-D archery workshops will be held at Yellowstone Gateway Sports January 29th, February 12th and February 19th from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Air Rifle, Air Pistol, and Target Archery will continue January 29, February 5th, February 12th and February 29th at one of the following times 5:00-6:00, 6:00-7:00, or 7:00-8:00.

The State 4-H shooting sports tournament will be held at the Fairgrounds and Yellowstone Gateway Sports March 3-5, 2006. Events will be air rifle, air pistol, target archery, 3-D archery and smallbore. The deadline for entry forms to be mailed is February 12th. More information and entry forms will be available at regular workshops or contact the extension office at 582-3280.

Call Bill Ott at 209-2599 if you have any questions.



Vet Science:



Meeting will be held on February 7th at 6:30. It will be a hands-on evening at Double Diamond Veterinary Hospital. Double Diamond is located in Baxter Meadows Subdivision at 3801 Riata Rd. Please feel free to contact Shawna Halvorsen at 539-0895 if you have any questions.

Attention All Horse Project Members:

Help us work off some of the balance due to the Fairgrounds. We are looking for volunteers to help clean stalls for Winterfest on Saturday, February 18th. All volunteers will receive a WinterFest button and time spent cleaning will be applied towards money owed to the Fairgrounds for using arenas for workshops. Call Dana Adams at 580-5627 if you are able and willing to help.

Horse:

Horse Committee Members:

Misty Radue, 388-6655; Amy Lewis, 580-6693; Katie Cooper, 580-9278, Dana Adams, 587-3072; Barb Barber, 282-7030; John Palm, 388-7262.

The next Horse Committee Meeting is February 20th at 6:30 pm at the Kountry Korner Kafe in Four Corners.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOU MUST BE SIGNED UP FOR HORSEMANSHIP IN ORDER TO ATTEND THESE WORKSHOPS!!! HORSELESS HORSE MEMBERS WHO ARE SIGNED UP FOR BOTH HORSELESS HORSE AND HORSEMANSHIP ARE ALSO WELCOME TO ATTEND.

Helmets are ready to be picked up. Call Katie to make arrangements.

Horsemanship:

February 5th: Groundwork and Showmanship. This workshop will be very specifically geared to each level. Great beginner info for Level 1 and 2, and more advanced skills for Level 3 and up. Each session will be an hour long with ½ spent on groundwork and ½ on showmanship. If you have a special case that you would like more help (i.e. young or green horse, problem horse) please let Katie know upon sign-up and she will schedule you some extra time. Call Katie at 580-9278 by February 2nd for a time slot.

February 25th: Tack Cleaning Workshop. Call Dana at 580-5627 to pre-register.

March 18th and 19th: Patrick Severance Horsemanship Workshop. Pre-register at the 4-H office by March 10th. \$10.00 per session. **LEVEL 2 AND UP ONLY.**

Ranch Horse:

January 27th at 7:00 pm at Circle L Arena. February Dates will be given then.

C2M:

For **February** workshop date, time and location contact Barb at 282-7030.

March workshop will be held on the **4th at Kountz Arena**. 9:00 am - 1:00 pm will be for weanlings and yearlings; 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm will be for 2 year olds and up. If you have any questions call Barb Barber at 282-7030.



Horseless Horse:

The February meeting will be held from 5:30-7:30 pm at the Fellowship Baptist Church on February 13th. Please bring project books. Call Katie Cooper (580-9278) with questions. If you cannot attend, please call to get information. **NO MEETING IN MARCH.**

Saddle Mountain Members:

We will be meeting on the 2nd Wednesday of every month. Please contact Shannon Brooks at 581-7478 to find out locations.

Smallbore Program

The Gallatin County Smallbore Program is now into its 3rd year. We have ten shooters involved with the program this year. There are eight returning shooters and two first time shooters. The returning shooters are Michelle Everett, Tim Gaworski, ReAnn Wilson, Nicole McAdams, Hannah Kuchinsky, Codi Francis, Roper Galiger, and Dustin Gee. The new shooters are Brook Kinna and Barry Francis. The members of the program are instructed in 4-position shooting and firearm safety and education. The 10 week program is held at the Greenway Range at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds. The participants shoot each Monday night from 5:00 – 6:30 P.M.

The participants are enrolled in the NRA Marksmanship Program. This is a program designed to give the shooters an opportunity to improve their skills at all 4 positions. It also enhances the Participants skills in record keeping, goal setting and training. This is the third year that the Smallbore program has used this marksmanship program. There is marked improvement by all shooters. On December 19, 2005 ReAnn Wilson completed the Distinguished Expert qualifications. On the same date, Michelle Everett completed the requirements for the Montana Distinguished Shooter. Tim Gaworski is presently working on the requirements for the Montana Distinguished Shooter. Congratulations to these shooters.

The 4-H Smallbore Program was fortunate to be awarded a grant sponsored by the Friends of the NRA for the 2005-2006 year. This grant has allowed the program to purchase needed equipment for the benefit of all participants. The grant allowed for the purchase of shooting stands, scopes/stands, mats, and kneeling rolls. In addition, this grant allowed us to purchase targets and ammunition and pay for range fees. This gives the program an opportunity to provide the shooters with the best educational experience with a minimal cost of \$3.00 per night per shooter. It is our goal to be in a situation to be able to eliminate the nightly charge. A big thank you goes out to the NRA for their support of the 4-H Shooting Sports programs in Gallatin County.

The Gallatin County 4-H Smallbore Program would like to organize a training session with the Headwaters Rifle Club. This training session will introduce shooters to the next step of shooting, (High Powered Rifles). This session would be held later in the spring or early summer. There is a possibility of conducting a 4-5 week program after the training session. If there are any members of the 4-H Shooting Sports Program that are interested in participating in this program, contact Scott Francis, 284-6843, Tom Everett, 388-9076, or the 4-H Office at 582-3280. More information will follow at a later time.

2006 North Central Montana Feeder Steer & Breeding Heifer Show

Once again, Hill County is hosting the North Central Montana Feeder Show. In addition to the feeder show there will be a breeding heifer show. The show will be March 5th in the Bigger Better Barn, Havre Montana.

The show is open to all youth, including 4-H, FFA and junior cattle Breed Associations. Members must be between the ages of 10-19 as of January 1, 2006. This will be a great opportunity to expose your steer or heifer to the barn and the trailer. Buckle awards given to the top Feeder Steer and Breeding Heifer. We will also be awarding coats to the top Junior and Senior Showman. **Entry deadline is February 24, 2006.** If you would like more information or entry form for this event, call the Hill County Extension Office 265-5481 extension 233.

Sky Federal Credit Union Loan Program

Sky Federal Credit Union believes our area youth are extremely important to the future of our farming and ranching communities. They have designed a loan program specifically designed to teach youth how to budget, save, and pay off a loan! **The loan features a very low 3.50% annual percentage rate, terms up to 10 months, and is a single-pay note, payable in full with the sale of the project and when the check is received.** The program is available to any student with a 4-H or FFA project in need of financial assistance, and any project is eligible. For more details or to receive a brochure about this new program, call their Livingston office at 222-1750, their Bozeman office at 587-1750, or email info@skyfcu.org. At Sky Federal Credit Union, It's All About You!

National 4-H Photography Contest!

National 4-H Council needs winning photos from your state and county fairs (2001 – 2006) to create the 2008 4-H Calendar. Thirteen photographs will be selected. These original photographs will be gallery mounted and framed and a brass plate engraved with the title and photographer's name will be attached. The winning photos will be on display at the National 4-H Conference Center from September 2006 through November 2006 and also posted on our web site www.4-hmall.org. **VERY IMPORTANT- Submissions will only be considered if they meet certain criteria.** Please contact the extension office for complete rules and criteria. We will return all submissions, if not selected, by late August 2006. Winning photographs will be returned no sooner than December 10, 2006. After final selection we will notify the winners and both the photographer and parent/guardian must sign a release to use the photo in the 2008 4-H Calendar. We will also request a second photo to display at the National 4-H Conference Center.



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2006 REC LAB

Here are the basics so that you can begin preparing for the 2006 Rec Lab:

1. It will be held in Deer Lodge on March 17, 18, & 19
2. Registration will be at Powell County High School and all participants will be housed at the High School. Bring sleeping bag and mat, towel, swim suit, clean tennis shoes, personal care items and plan for some outdoor activities.
3. Registration cost is \$50.00. Some workshops will have an additional \$2-\$5 fee.
4. Registration is due by March 1. Orders for clothing are due February 28. Hoodies will cost \$30.00; Crewnecks \$20.00 and T-shirts \$12.00
5. There will be a Talent Show.
6. More info & registration forms available the early part of February.

FOODS PROJECT:

We will be starting classes for the foods project the second week of February. Phone calls or mailings regarding class times will be made to all members enrolled in the foods project. If you have questions, please contact the Extension office at 582-3280 or e-mail hhunts@montana.edu with questions.

ATTENTION PROJECT LEADERS

The Fair Book Committee invites all project leaders to a general meeting **Thursday, February 23, 2006**, 6:30 at MacKenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. At the January 2006 Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting, there was much discussion in regards to revising the Fair Book for 2007. It was decided that the Fair Book needs revision to clarify many concerns that the Unlimited Leaders Council, club and project leaders, youth members, and parents have voiced. The Unlimited Leaders Council implemented a committee for this purpose. The committee members include Kathy Cheney, Sandra Feigi, Ginny Francis, Betsy Heckle, Kelley Phipps, and Brenda Townsend. Please plan on attending this very important meeting as these changes will have a direct impact on your project in regards to Fair Rules and Regulations. Your opinions and input will be greatly appreciated! **CHANGES TO BE DISCUSSED WILL INCLUDE COMPLETED PROJECT BOOKS AND ENFORCEMENT OF ENTRY DEADLINES (ENTRY DEADLINE FOR FAIR IS JUNE 28, LATE ENTRIES TAKEN WITH LATE FEE CHARGES FROM JUNE 29TH TO JULY 5TH, ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRIES AFTER JULY 5TH, NO EXCEPTIONS!)**